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FM AMEMBASSY LISBON

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 7791

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SUBJECT: DEATH OF DAVID GERHARDT

REF STATE 171494, 171515

IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFTTEL, THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS
HAVE BEEN SENT BY EMBASSY TO FSL JULIO CORREIA AT
LUANDA.

1. REQUEST YOU REPRESENT GERHARDT FAMILY IN EFFECTING
RETURN OF DAVID GERHARDT'S BODY TO U. S. UNDERSTAND
COSTS OF PREPARATION AND AIR SHIPMENT LUANDA-WASHINGTON
ABOUT US\$5,000. PLEASE CONFIRM. DO NOT COMMIT
FUNDS UNTIL INSTRUCTED.

2. HAVE BODY PREPARED FOR AIR SHIPMENT AND FORWARD TO
AGENCIA MAGNO, FUA STA. MARTA 56-A LISBON. TAP CAN
COLLECT FARE THROUGH EMBASSY. EMBASSY WILL FORWARD
BODY TO FAMILY IN U.S.

3. GET TWO COPIES OF ANGOLAN DEATH CERTIFICATE AND ANY
OTHER DOCUMENTS (ALVARA IF NECESSARY) NEEDED FOR
SHIPMENT AND CONSULAR DEATH CERTIFICATE. CONSULAR
DEATH CERTIFICATE WILL BE ISSUED BY EMBASSY LISBON

4. TAKE PARTICULAR CARE WITH IDENTIFICATION AND INFORM
EMBASSY WHETHER BODY FIT TO BE VIEWED ON ARRIVAL U.S.
BODY SHOULD BE EMBALMED IF POSSIBLE, BUT WE UNDERSTAND
THAT EMBALMING IS PROBABLY UNAVAILABLE IN ANGOLA.

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5. TAKE CUSTODY OF PERSONAL EFFECTS AND FORWARD TO WILLIAMS AT EMBASSY WHO WILL ACT AS CONSERVATOR. PASSPORT AND OTHER PERSONAL DOCUMENTS SHOULD BE SENT BY AIRMAIL TO WILLIAMS.

6. CALL WILLIAMS OR ARREDONDO AT EMBASSY OR HOME CASE OF DOUBT AS TO INSTRUCTIONS OR PROCEDURE. WILLIAMS HOME PHONE NUMBER IS 286 63 04; ARREDONDOS 28 20 24.

FOR SCS: PLEASE GET IDENTIFYING DATA NEEDED FOR CONSULAR DEATH CERTIFICATE AND FORWARD TO EMBASSY.

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